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‘Black Madam’ charged in 2011 implant death

After lengthy investigation and police suspicions, woman finally charged in allegedly botched injection of aspiring hip-hop dancer from London ‘Black Madam’ already jailed in separate case from this year

Winslowe, in a mug shot from February.

Winslowe, as the Black Madam on her website.

A woman known as the “Black Madam” has been charged with third-degree murder for her alleged involvement in a botched injection procedure that killed a 20-year-old London tourist 18 months ago during a bizarre meeting in Philadelphia.

Padge Victoria Winslowe, 42, is accused of injecting Claudia Aderotimi with silicone in a Southwest Philadelphia hotel in February 2011. Aderotimi, an aspiring hip-hop dancer, had traveled from London with friends for the procedure months after getting her first injection, but complained of chest pains and died hours later in a Delaware County hospital, authorities said.

The Delaware County Medical Examiner's office just ruled the case — which received national headlines — a homicide this week after tests showed that Aderotimi died as a result of a pulmonary embolism due to complications from the injection. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration assisted in the investigation.

“Padge Winslowe's arrogance and blatant disregard for human life is shocking,” District Attorney Seth Williams said. “Her conduct cost one young woman her life and placed countless others in danger.”

Prosecutors claim that Winslowe portrayed herself as a trained professional and used a third party to arrange the procedures, yet she was unlicensed and untrained, used hypodermic needles to inject the silicone and applied crazy glue to close the wound.

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Already jailed

Winslowe is already in custody stemming from her February arrest at a so-called pumping party in Germantown.

A 23-year-old woman reported that she received butt enhancements from Winslowe at a pumping party and had to be hospitalized. In that case, Winslowe has been charged with aggravated assault, simple assault, theft by deception and related charges.

Winslowe is being held on $750,000 bail. A preliminary hearing on the new charges is scheduled for Aug. 8. If convicted, she could face up to 88 years in jail.

Other potential victims are urged to contact the district attorney's office at 215-686-8000.

Charter school leader allegedly stole $6.5M

A Pennsylvania charter school founder has been charged with defrauding three schools out of more than $6.5 million.

Dorothy June Brown, 75, of Haverford, is accused of using her private management companies, Cynwyd and AcademicQuest, to defraud Agora Cyber Charter, Planet Abacus Charter and Laboratory Charter School of Communication and Languages, all of which she founded. Federal prosecutors claim that Brown created false documents, including false board meeting minutes and fabricated contracts, to make it look like the boards' had authorized the contracts with Brown's private companies. In many instances, prosecutors said, the people Brown listed as board members never actually served on the boards.

Brown is also accused of trying to prevent a witness from informing law enforcement officials of the scheme in April. METRO/SDL

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Other charter school executives charged with allegedly helping Brown destroy documents in exchange for high-paying positions

In the news

Cop charged after Facebook friending

A Voorhees, N.J., officer was charged yesterday for allegedly using a state police motor vehicle database to look up personal information about a female motorist, then attempting to friend her on Facebook, the Gloucester County Times reported. Jeffrey Tyther, 44, allegedly used her license plate number to look her up on a state police motor vehicle database. METRO

In the news

Lightning death

A nine-months pregnant Amish woman and her unborn child were killed by a lightning strike yesterday, the Daily American reported. Mary Yoder, 36, of Summit, was picking blackberries with her husband and their two children in the woods near their home when a storm hit. She reportedly sought refuge under a pine tree, where she was struck. METRO

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Hemsley

Philly native who played Mr. Jefferson dead at 74

PHILADELPHIA. Sherman Hemsley, the actor who grew up in the city before playing George Jefferson on television in “The Jeffersons,” a 1970s sitcom that was one of the first to focus on a black family, died in El Paso, Texas, his representative said.

“Sherman Hemsley has been pronounced dead El Paso Sheriff's Department has confirmed,” the actor's agent Todd Frank said in a statement.

“The Jeffersons” ran from 1975 to 1985.

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Liberty Medal tickets now on sale

PHILADELPHIA. Free tickets for the 2012 Liberty Medal Ceremony honoring legendary boxer Muhammad Ali will be made available to the public on Aug. 14. About 250 tickets will be available to the event that will take place Sept. 13 outside the National Constitution Center. Those interested must call (866) 492-6326. METRO

Company creating edible photos

PHILADELPHIA. A local cake decorating company is now creating edible chocolate Polaroids.

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Lynn gets up to six years for shielding 'monsters'

Landmark case of Archdiocese church official ends in prison Judge: No acts of contribution absolved him

Church scandal

- Lynn was found guilty on June 22 of one count of child endangerment and acquitted of charges of conspiracy and a second child endangerment offense.
- The offense with which Lynn was charged centered around the conduct of former priest Edward Avery, who was sent by Lynn to live in a parish without warning that he had previously been institutionalized for a child abuse allegation in a church psychiatric center.
- Avery pleaded guilty for sexually assaulting a 10-year-old altar boy in 1999 after he was released and assigned to the child's parish by Lynn.
- Prosecutors claimed that Lynn's handling of Avery was part of a systematic practice of allowing abusive priests to remain in ministry.

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▶ District Attorney Seth Williams said the sentence sent a strong message.

Monsignor William Lynn was yesterday sentenced to three to six years in prison for felony child endangerment due to his role in the Catholic church child sex abuse coverup.

"You knew full well what was right, Monsignor Lynn, but you chose wrong," Judge Teresa Sarmina said over the objections of Lynn's defense, who claimed he did not know about the victim whose abuser's identity he helped hide. The sentenced imposed falls just short of the maximum three and a half to seven years.

Sarmina said that when Lynn realized his effort to remove pedophile priests from active duty "wasn't going anywhere," he was confronted with the option to walk away from the ministry and notify law enforcement. Instead, she said, he did nothing.

"It's not that hard to be good when you don't have to make those tough choices that challenge the morals at your core," she said.

Sarmina said that, through letters from Lynn's supporters and from those victimized by pedophile priests whose allegations Lynn ignored, two pictures emerged of the church official. One was a callous secretary for the clergy whose "hard heart" shielded "monsters in garb" and the other was a compassionate pastor of Saint Joseph's Parish in Downingtown, where he moved after the 2005 release of the grand jury report.

Sarmina said that acts of devotion committed by the latter Lynn did not excuse the conduct of the former.

"It's a shame the love and support that was so evident at Saint Joseph's in Downingtown is not what he exercised as secretary of the clergy," she said.

District Attorney Seth Williams said outside the courthouse that he was pleased with Sarmina's decision.

"I think it's ingenious how she used letters of victims and letters of friends and family of Monsignor Lynn to explain her sentence," he said. "I believe this sent a message not just here in Philadelphia, but beyond in America to these institutions that they have to take allegations of abuse seriously."

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Meet the world's fastest amputee

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As part of Metro's ongoing coverage leading up to the 2012 Olympic Games in London later this week, we've introduced readers to the athletes who will be representing the United States. We've previously interviewed athletes like swimmer Ryan Lochte, long-distance-runner Molly Huddle and wrestler Jordan Burroughs, who hails from Camden, N.J.

April Holmes, dubbed the world's fastest amputee, is competing in the Paralympic Games in London later next month, but her story is as dramatic as any world-class athlete's.

It would take most people months, if not years, to bounce back from a devastating injury, but Holmes knew within two weeks of losing her leg that she wanted to represent the U.S. as a serious competitor on the track. In 2001, Holmes was involved in a train accident that forced doctors to amputate her left leg below the knee.

A lifelong basketball player, she was overwhelmed by the amputation and initially feared her days in sports were over.

"I thought I would never be able to run or play basketball again, and I had done that since I was 5 years old and it had brought joy into my life," Holmes told Metro. "To wake up and know I'd never play again, it was devastating."

She credits her surgeon, Dr. William Delong, with planting the idea in her mind to embrace her new body and turn a disability into an incredible ability in athletics.

Shortly after her amputation, Delong was bringing her magazines about the Paralympic Games.

From there, a dream was born. Not only did Holmes decide she wanted to become a Paralympic athlete, she made up her mind that she would be the best.

"I had to go to rehab and get a leg," Holmes said. "I definitely wanted to be able to represent the U.S. and be the best in the world and have gold medals."

And that's exactly what Holmes did. By 2002, she was training for a career in Paralympic track and field. Proving to be a dominating force in her sport, she went on to set world records in the 100-, 200- and 400-meters, leading her to claim the title of the world's fastest amputee.

At the 2004 Paralympic Games in Athens, she won bronze in the women's long jump. At the 2008 games in Beijing, she took home gold in the women's 100-meters.

Holmes has spent the last year training in Florida, where up to six hours of her day were spent on the track in preparation of her third trip to the Paralympic Games, which will run from Aug. 29 to Sept. 9 in London.

*– Reporter **Cassandra Garrison** is covering the 2012 Olympic Games from London. Follow her coverage at **@CassieAtMetro** and at **www.metro.us.***

Can't wait to hear anthem

When asked what keeps her motivated, Holmes said it's as simple as the moment a national anthem is played at the end of a race.

"Would you rather hear yours or that of another country?" she said. "That's always a motivation for me."

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▶ April Holmes, right, holds world records for Paralympic athletes in the 100-, 200- and 400-meter dash.

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Wife of man critically hurt in Colorado shooting gives birth

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▶ Police say Holmes, dressed in a gas mask and body armor and toting three guns, opened fire in the packed theater shortly after the film began. He was arrested outside after the massacre.

The wife of a man critically wounded in Friday's shooting rampage at a screening of the latest "Batman" film in Colorado gave birth to a baby boy yesterday, hospital officials said.

Katie Medley was with her husband Caleb at the midnight premiere of "The Dark Knight Rises" in the Denver suburb of Aurora when police say James Holmes opened fire, killing 12 people and wounding 58 others.

Caleb Medley was shot in the head and remains in critical condition. A website set up to raise money for his care, www.calebmedley.com/help, said he has lost his right eye, has some brain damage and is in a medically induced coma.

A spokeswoman for University of Colorado Denver Hospital relayed the following statement from the family: "The family is excited to say that Hugo Jackson Medley was born at 7:11 (a.m. Mountain Time) this morning. Both mom and baby are doing great."

Holmes made his initial court appearance on Monday. He will be formally charged on July 30. **REUTERS**

Apartment like a 'house bomb'

The booby-trapped apartment of the man accused of killing 12 people and wounding 58 others in last week's movie theater shooting in Colorado was effectively a "house bomb" rarely seen outside of war zones, a former FBI agent said yesterday.

James Holmes' 800-square-foot apartment in was so extensively wired with explosives and other devices that bomb experts needed to use a small, remote-controlled detonation to prevent a blast that likely would have consumed the entire three-story building, officials said.

Holmes' apartment building remains closed. **REUTERS**

Efforts to cut risky sexual behavior by teens stall

WASHINGTON. Efforts to reduce risky sexual behavior among U.S. high school students have stalled in the past decade and urgent action is needed to stem HIV infection rates in young people, who account for nearly half of all new cases, public health officials say.

The National Youth Risk Behavior Survey, released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Tuesday, analyzed 20 years of national HIV-related risk behavior data on U.S. high school students primarily between the ages of 14 and 17.

It found that while progress was made in the 1990s, when a decline was seen in the number of students who admitted to having multiple sexual partners, those rates have held steady since 2001. **REUTERS**

JP Morgan Chase pays $100 million settlement to credit card customers

JPMorgan Chase & Co. has agreed to pay $100 million to settle litigation by credit card customers who accused the largest U.S. bank of improperly boosting their minimum payments as a means to generate higher fees.

The settlement resolves a case stemming from Chase's decision in late 2008 and 2009 to boost minimum monthly payments for thousands of cardholders to 5 percent of account balances from 2 percent.

It comes as JPMorgan addresses a range of litigation over banking practices, such as whether it conspired to overcharge retailers on card transactions or manipulated benchmark interest rates. **REUTERS**

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▶ The credit card settlement requires approval by U.S. District Judge Maxine Chesney. A hearing to consider preliminary approval is scheduled for Aug. 3.

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State Farm sues in bid to avoid Sandusky legal bills

Insurer State Farm said it should be exempt from paying for legal bills arising from former Penn State assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky's child sexual abuse case.

State Farm Fire and Casualty Co. sold Sandusky a homeowner policy and filed a federal lawsuit last week arguing that the policy does not cover injuries caused by intentional, willful or malicious acts.

The State Farm policy provided limited personal liability coverage.

State Farm began insuring the home in 1985 for Sandusky and his wife, Dottie, according to the complaint filed in the U.S. District Court for Middle District of Pennsylvania.

The company asked that the court declare that the policy did not cover legal costs for his criminal defense or civil lawsuits arising from the case.

Federal Insurance Co., which covers the Second Mile, the charity Sandusky founded for at-risk youth in 1977, is making payments for his defense, Sandusky's attorney Brian Osias said last week.

The NCAA fined Pennsylvania State University $60 million on Monday in an unprecedented rebuke for the school's failure to stop Sandusky's sexual abuse.

In a sign of potential financial fallout from the NCAA move, Moody's Investors Service said it might cut Penn State's Aa1 revenue bond rating. **REUTERS**

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▶ Jerry Sandusky had a homeowner policy with State Farm.

Apple claims $2.5B from Samsung

NEW YORK. Apple Inc. claims it is entitled to $2.525 billion in damages in its high-stakes battle against Samsung Electronics Co. over patents for technology used in smartphones and tablets, such as the iPhone and iPad.

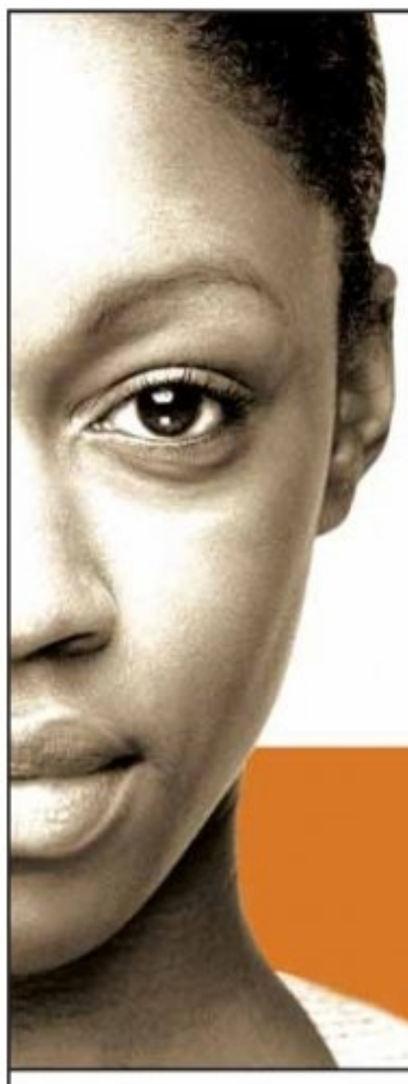
The estimate was revealed in a court filing early yesterday, six days before the world's largest consumer electronics companies are scheduled on July 30 to begin a jury trial before U.S. District Judge Lucy Koh in San Jose, California. **REUTERS**

Disappointing sales of iPhones ahead of new release hit share price

SAN FRANCISCO. Apple reported a rare miss in quarterly revenue that fell short of Wall Street's estimates on lower than expected sales of its flagship iPhones, sending its shares down 5 percent.

Apple sold 26 million iPhones during the quarter compared to an expected 28 million to 29 million as buyers held off ahead of the latest version of the smartphone, which will be released in September.

By contrast, the company sold 35.1 million iPhones in the March quarter. The company said fiscal third-quarter revenue rose to $35 billion, much lower than the average analyst estimate of $37.22 billion. **REUTERS**



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Sun's 'crown' seen in hi-res like never before

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▶ "The biggest breakthrough here is that we have the photographic sharpness and resolution we need to see what we have studied only theoretically," Golub told Metro.

Clearest images of the sun's atmosphere

NASA has released the highest-resolution images ever taken of the Sun's corona. The 16-megapixel images were captured by NASA's High Resolution Coronal Imager (Hi-C), which was launched on a rocket from New Mexico earlier this month. The Hi-C telescope provides five times more detail than the next-best observations.

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▶ Sun with its crown. The name "corona" comes from the Latin word for crown.

Astrophysicist's view

"The Hi-C flight might be the most productive five minutes I've ever spent."

- Leon Golub (Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics), mission's lead investigator
- The Hi-C's ride on the suborbital rocket lasted just 10 minutes. Of that time, only about 330 seconds were spent taking data. But astronomers say it was enough time to gather information for months to come.

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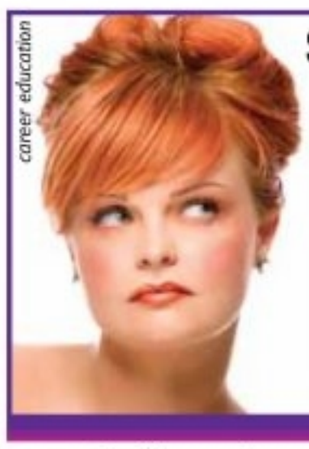

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Jackson family drama reaches new heights

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▶ In December, Katherine Jackson and her family were all smiles in Vegas.

At first, we were barely tuning in to the latest Jackson drama — in a big, famous, creative family, someone is bound to kidnap grandma and start a Twitter war. But now, things are getting crazy, even by Jackson standards.

Now that matriarch **Katherine Jackson** surfaced in Arizona with family after being reported missing, the focus is turning to Michael's children. Katherine is the legal guardian of her late son's three children, and 14-year-old **Paris** — along with various extended family members — isn't buying that her grandmother is on a health retreat.

On Monday, Paris posted to her Twitter account: "Eight days and counting. Something is really off, this isn't like her at all. I wanna talk directly to my grandmother!" She followed up with a more threatening message yesterday: "So help me God I will make whoever did this pay."

A court-appointed attorney is involved with working out a temporary custody arrangement for the kids after **Janet**, **Randy** and **Jermaine Jackson** reportedly attempted to remove them from their L.A. home and police were called.

Now, it could be that 82-year-old Katherine is incredibly lucky to have children who are fighting to live with and take care of her. But there's also the matter of Michael's multimillion-dollar estate, which she has a stake in — and its executors are critical of Janet and company.

"We are acutely concerned about the welfare of Mrs. Jackson, and most particularly with Michael's children," executors **John Branca** and **John McClain** said in a statement. "We are concerned that we do what we can to protect them from undue influences, bullying, greed and other unfortunate circumstances."

Signs your family is in serious trouble: **Michael Jackson** turns out to be the one most capable of raising children and handling fame.

$18M payday for Mimi

Mariah Carey doesn't come cheap. This singer will rake in a cool $18 million for gracing the judging table on "American Idol" next season, which is $6 million more than **Jennifer Lopez** was paid to occupy the same chair.

It's not the first time Carey has paid a visit to "Idol" — she served briefly as a mentor on the show in 2008, and wasn't necessarily a low-maintenance employee. Sources tell TMZ that she was "a nightmare to work with," "not very nice at all" and chronically late.

Don't worry, guys — we're sure having a permanent dressing room and gigantic paycheck will bring her back down to Earth.

Kanye West ring shopping?

Kanye West is looking to put an engagement ring on **Kim Kardashian's** not-yet-divorced finger, but a gigantic diamond isn't cutting it, says RadarOnline.

Instead, West is planning to combine some of his late mother's favorite jewels into a custom ring — something those close to him aren't happy about. "His friends think it's a terrible idea and are advising him not to give Kim the ring," a source says. "Because it's a gift, it would be difficult for Kanye to ask for it back if they ever split up. They've also reminded him that Kim is not somebody who works hard for her money. She makes millions selling her image."

Excuse us, Team West: Kim may be a sparkly void, but she's our sparkly void. Find your own reality vampire to pick on.

The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

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@simonpegg
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@wossy (Jonathan Ross)
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Talking points

Madonna tasteful as always

▶ Madonna

Madonna is coming under fire for using fake guns in her stage show just days after the Aurora, Colo., movie theater massacre, according to the Daily Mail. The singer was reportedly warned by police before her first performance in Scotland not to use the props, but did so anyway. The fake guns used in the show include replicas of an AK-47 assault rifle and a few handguns. But a source close to Madonna insists the singer is just sticking to her principles. "Madonna would rather cancel her show than censor her art," the source tells the Huffington Post. "Her entire career, she has fought against people telling her what she can and cannot do. She's not about to start listening to them now."

John Mayer digs California girls?

Katy Perry may have found a new bad boy to keep her company in the wake of her split from **Russell Brand**. Less than a week after her divorce from Brand was finalized, Perry was reportedly spotted getting cozy with **John Mayer**, according to Hollyscoop. A source describes their meeting as very flirty, adding that the two "definitely appeared to be very into each other." Meanwhile, Perry says she plans on taking a somewhat "darker" path for her third album — but not completely. "I would love to just let it be the black box of who I am," she tells the U.K.'s Capital FM. "I'd never devote a whole record to heartbreak. I'm happy, I'm in a good place, I'm looking forward to my future."

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FOX-Y LADIES AT TCA

Monday was Fox day at the Television Critics Association press tour in Beverly Hills, Calif. Though "American Idol" isn't the ratings juggernaut it once was, the singing competition still managed to top the day's TCA headlines.

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'Ben and Kate'

Also new on the Fox comedy slate is "Ben and Kate," created by Dana Fox and inspired by her brother, whom she referred to as very Ferris Bueller-like in his antics and knack for getting in trouble. Nat Faxon — who won a screenwriting Oscar for "The Descendents" and landed this sitcom the day after the Academy Awards — plays Ben, that wacky brother who becomes a father figure to Maddie (Maggie Elizabeth Jones), the daughter of his single-mom sister, Kate (Dakota Johnson).

"He's a really, really smart guy who intentionally does dumb things all the time," Fox says of her brother and, by extension, the character. "He has a bizarre logic to all of his behavior — he might be a genius."

'American Idol'

In an unnecessarily dramatic display, Fox President of Entertainment Kevin Reilly announced Mariah Carey would be joining the "Idol" judges' table by calling the multiplatinum-selling pop star on his cell phone and putting her on speaker. Carey apologized for not attending in person — Reilly said the deal had been finalized just hours before — but she assured critics she is "so excited to be on 'Idol'" and "can't wait to get started."

Carey is filling one of the seats vacated by judges Steven Tyler and Jennifer Lopez. Reilly had no news on the second new judge, though he insisted "it's 100 percent [confirmed] that Jennifer won't be back to the show."

This was in reaction to a comment "Idol" producer Nigel Lythgoe made hours earlier in a panel for "So You Think You Can Dance," the show he judges. He'd said that Lopez was 99 percent sure she wouldn't be back, but he was hopeful of that 1 percent chance.

'The Mob Doctor'

Grace Devlin (Jordana Spiro) is a genius surgeon — with a family debt to the mob in "The Mob Doctor." The idea of a great doctor living a double-life and stitching up soldiers in the Chicago mob scene may seem far-fetched, and even series creator Josh Berman thought so. But then he found a book about a real mob doctor called "Il Dottore," on which, he says, the series is loosely built.

"The more we dug, we found out how most ... doctors to the mob are motivated by greed," he said. "They get seduced by the mob world. It's not because of the reasons we have in our pilot. Hopefully we're a little bit more idealized version of the mob doctor."

Mariah Carey's the newest 'Idol' judge.

'The X Factor'

How does one of the biggest pop stars of the last decade decide to join a relatively new reality TV competition? Apparently, it's all thanks to a makeup artist.

"I've seen the show a couple of times," Britney Spears, new judge on "The X Factor," said of the series, "and I was such a fan of the show. My makeup artist was the makeup artist for Simon [Cowell]. And we talked about [the show] a couple of times ... but really never took it seriously until she went back and she started working for him. Then we just all met up, and it made sense."

Meanwhile, Cowell said Spears was "the No. 1 person I always wanted on one of these shows."

'The Mindy Project'

Viewers who fell in love with "New Girl" last season have another smart, funny, messed up lady to adore on the new sitcom "The Mindy Project," from "The Office" writer and star Mindy Kaling.

Kaling plays Mindy, an OB/GYN who is great at her job, but not so much in her personal life. When asked how she will keep that TV trope fresh, Kaling responded, "It's interesting — there is this cliche. ... But that's also really true of me and all my friends. So you don't want to not do something that's relatable simply because you're worried that it might be cliche."

On "The Office" front, Kaling said she'd return for at least one episode this fall.

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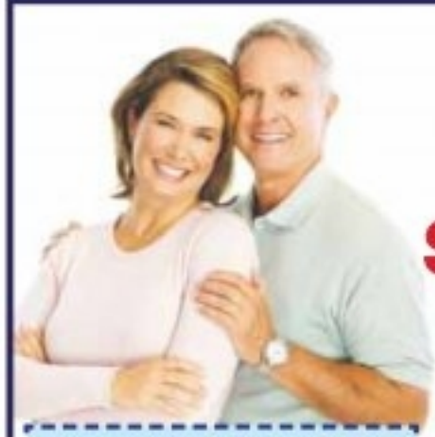

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▶ Adam Cohen's new record is "Like A Man."

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Adam Cohen is a snappy dresser. The singer/songwriter (and son of Leonard Cohen) just finished a photo shoot for Elle Canada and recently did one for another fashion-oriented magazine, Dressed to Kill, which is based in his hometown of Montreal.

"I enjoy fine clothes, I have to admit," he says.

So he's not a jeans and T-shirt guy?

"I can be," he says, "but I definitely gravitate to fine things: fine meals and clothing, fine shapes and sounds."

Cohen's love of finery seems a last vestige of vanity as he admits that his new record, "Like a Man," is the result of a chastening emotional low. "Like A Man" follows three albums, including one with his band Low Millions, that left Cohen feeling only failure.

"I thought I was over. I felt that I had been given chance after chance, and record deal after record deal, and I'd blown it." ADAM COHEN

"I was disillusioned to the point that I was about to abandon the business right before this record," he says. "I thought I was over. I felt that I had been given chance after chance, and record deal after record deal, and I'd blown it."

That admission, however, pushed Cohen toward a new place and a new attitude.

"Whereas before, my records were filled with anguish, anxiety, insecurity and self-doubt, and had cost a fortune and ended up sounding eager and expensive, this one was to the contrary," he reveals. "It was joyous, vulnerable and real. That explains why it's the coming out party it is for me."

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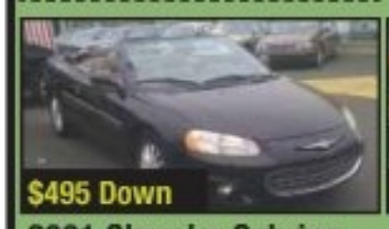
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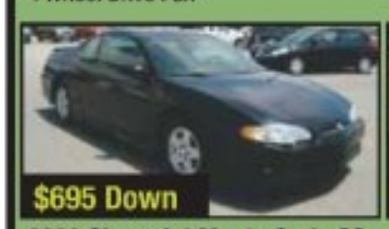
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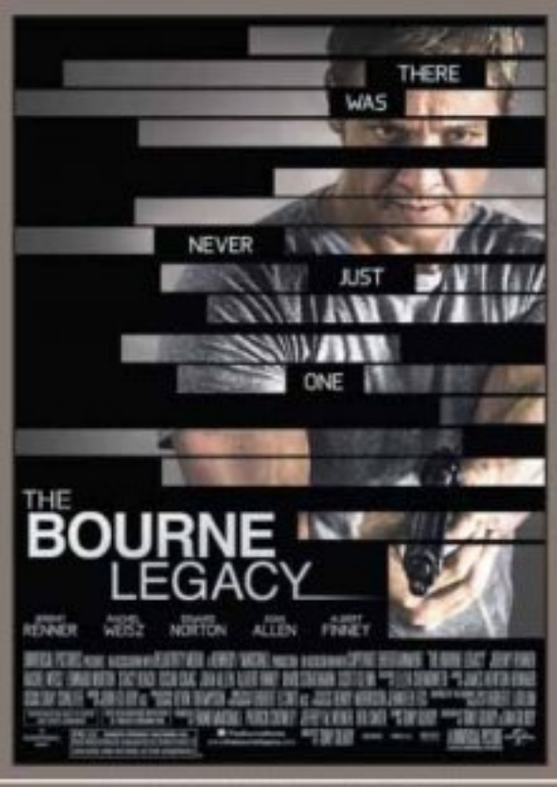

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Tax rates straight from Dickens novel

As a percent of GDP, corporate profits are at a 50-year high and corporate taxes are near an all-time low; relative to the average American family, the wealthy have expanded their income advantage tremendously and still have, on average, lower tax rates. Giving further tax relief to these two segments is like serving more food and drink at a riotous feast of sated gluttons, leaving the rest of us standing with empty bowls like Oliver Twist.

GLENN HAYES, VIA E-MAIL

Don't give Holmes benefit of fame

Whatever happened to the policy of not giving felons and miscreants the notoriety they seek. Publishing the Colorado shooter's photo, using it as the cover of your product no less, is offensive in that it fulfills the desires of the person who committed the awful crimes. Don't give Holmes any more satisfaction. Just report what happened and maybe, if you must, show photos of the victims, the first responders or even the location —not the sick person who caused all the pain.

CHUCK MCALEXANDER, VIA E-MAIL

Nation in need of divine intervention

With the reality/comedy show going on in government and the recent shooting in Aurora, it's plain and simple what this nation needs and fast: GOD, point blank. People can say what they want and most will probably will laugh at this letter if it's printed, but despite the increase in evil in the world, The Most High is going to win in the end. And I'm not talking about religion, I'm talking about this nation having a personal relationship with the Creator, which are two different things. Religion was created to deceive, separate and divide people and has caused many wars!

OMAR BRANCH, VIA E-MAIL

Of course killer shows no emotion

After reading the headline on today's Metro front page, you stated that "the alleged killer seemed groggy and emotionless." The word emotionless caught my attention. It is obvious to me that anyone that carries out this type of crime has to be a sociopath or something similar, therefore unable to feel any emotions, feelings of others. No one in their right mind would be able to kill and not show remorse. He is a very sick person. Are people that naive that they expect him to show feelings and tears?

WENDE DE GROOT, VIA E-MAIL

Hit Penn State hard with sanctions

RE: "PATERNO NOW JUST ANY OTHER JOE"

I disagree with sports columnist Angelo Cataldi that the NCAA did the right thing. The sanctions placed on Penn State are little more than a slap on the wrist and a pat on the butt.

PSU president Mark Emmert could and should correct that by shutting down the football program for at least this year.

LEO CHABOT, VIA E-MAIL.

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Horoscope

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** In your eagerness to start something new, you might not take under consideration all the ramifications. Don't get in over your head.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** It behooves you to be extremely selective regarding those whom you go to for advice. Turning to a friend might not be the smartest thing if he or she isn't any more informed than you are.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Think twice before getting involved with a friend in some sort of financial matter. It might take a longer time to resolve than anybody realized, and you could be stuck with some of the payback.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Keep your colleagues fully informed about your intentions before acting on them. If you make a move without their knowledge, big trouble could result.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Because of your sharp intuitive powers, you can often see where things are heading from the get-go. That doesn't mean you'll always be right, though.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** It's quite possible that you'll make an unusually strong impression on others. Just make sure it's not a negative one.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Partial victories won't have much significance in the general scheme of things, so don't kid yourself into believing something is a fait accompli if it's only half-finished.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** If you're not on your toes, it's quite likely that you'll repeat an error very similar to one you recently made, only this time you won't have any excuses.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Do your best to avoid financial gambles and those who are prone to take them. If you don't do so, you're asking for money trouble.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Clarify the rules regarding a partnership arrangement so that no one in the group tries to supersede anyone else.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** When considering any long-range maneuvers concerning your work or career, be sure that your information is accurate and your ideas realistic.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** This is not a good time to make loans to friends or to borrow any funds from them. Arrangements of this ilk are likely to cause complications in the future. BERNICE BEDE OSOL

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15 Folk teachings
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18 No future — —
19 Type of arch
20 Ego excursions (2 wds.)
22 Not bogus
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26 Good-luck charms
30 Critter
34 Certain monks
35 Resinous deposits
36 Airline ticket word
37 Purple flower
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63 Warden's fear
64 Antler tip
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66 Vegas game
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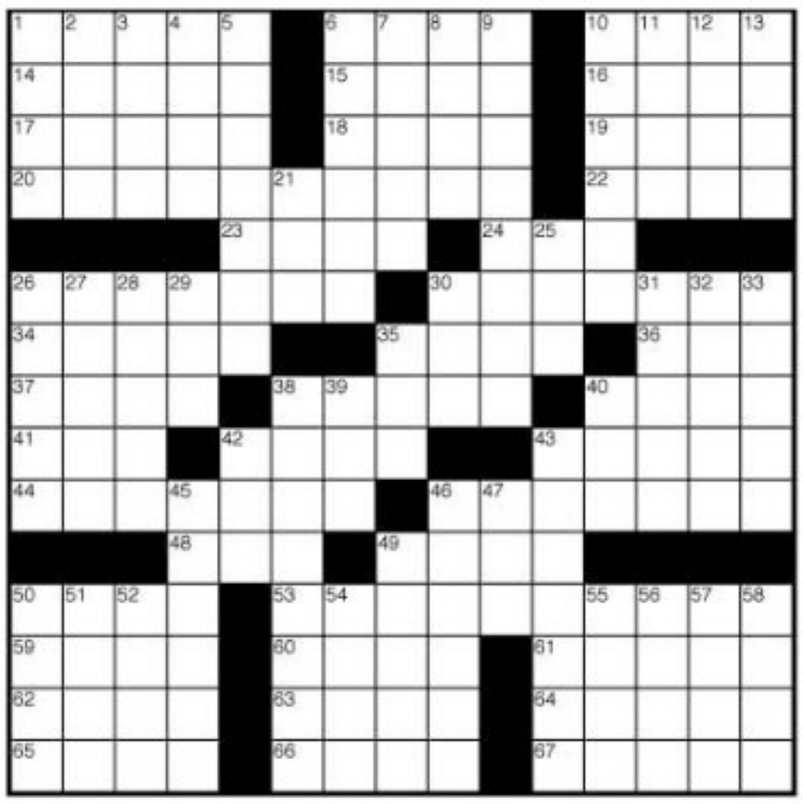

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Solution to yesterday's crossword

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Chester, center of soccer universe

PPL Park to host MLS All-Star Game today ◗ Players talk of stadium, city's charm ◗ Area deserves game

Since PPL Park was constructed, fans have been packing the stands for Philadelphia Union matches along the historic Delaware waterfront in nearby Chester.

The fan support, anchored by the Sons of Ben, is one reason that Major League Soccer awarded this area with an expansion club in 2010.

Two-plus seasons later, PPL Park is hosting the MLS All-Star Game — tonight at 8:30 — against Chelsea FC. To be awarded the All-Star Game in just their third season shows what type of backing the Union have from the fans. It's a definite statement.

It's also something players have noticed. They're looking forward to the event and playing in the gorgeous stadium.

"The Philadelphia market is a great, great market," L.A. Galaxy star forward Landon Donovan said. "The fans are loud and supportive and rally behind their club. It's a tough place to play. I think Philadelphia is really deserving of this event and I know, we as players, are excited about playing at PPL Park. It should be a terrific atmosphere for the players and especially for the fans."

Union defender and captain Carlos Valdes understands firsthand what the atmosphere will be like. He sees it all the time.

"I think we have the best fans in the league," Valdes said. "I expect the atmosphere to be incredible for the All-Star Game. It'll be a bit different here instead of a Union match, but I expect the fans to be loud and pushing the MLS All-Stars as much as possible."

Galaxy midfielder David Beckham is expected be among the MLS All-Stars. (He skipped a friendly Tuesday to make room on his schedule).

And all of this will be happening at PPL Park — quite an accomplishment for a young franchise.

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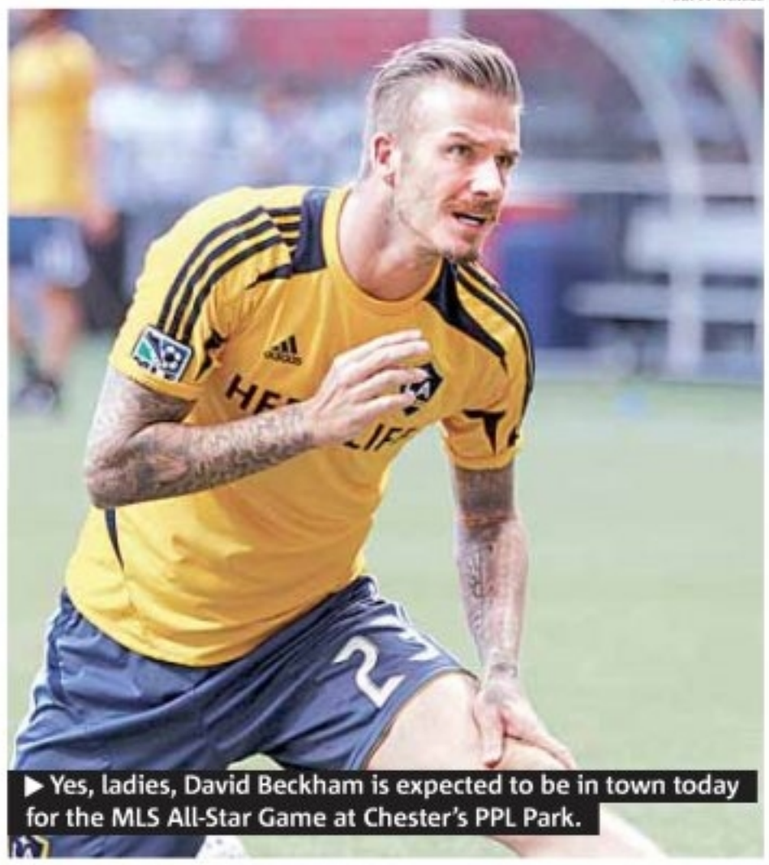

▶ Yes, ladies, David Beckham is expected to be in town today for the MLS All-Star Game at Chester's PPL Park.

"This area deserves the game and the fans are awesome here," said D.C. United coach Ben Olsen, also the coach of the MLS All-Stars. "The fans should be treated to be a fantastic night. I'm a coach, and also a fan of the game, and this is exciting for the Philadelphia area to be hosting it."

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Seven all-stars to keep an eye on at PPL Park

The MLS All-Star Game will pit the best MLS has to offer against famed English side Chelsea FC. The last time these two clubs met, in 2006, the MLS stars won, 1-0. Here are seven players to watch:

Galaxy MF David Beckham

This is the third All-Star appearance for one of the world's best. Even at age 37, Beckham is as talented as any player in MLS. He can still bend it as well as he ever has.

Red Bulls F Thierry Henry

At 34, Henry is still as formidable as any striker. He can score from virtually any angle and his addition into MLS last year was huge.

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▶ Valdes

Galaxy F Landon Donovan

Donovan earned his league-best 12th All-Star berth and has won three MLS Cups with the Galaxy and boasts a ton of experience with the U.S. National Team.

Earthquakes F Chris Wondolowski

He's the main reason the Earthquakes are a legitimate contender. The 29-year-old can score goals in bunches and he has done just that this season.

Union D Carlos Valdes and MF Michael Farfan

Keep an eye on the Union's two All-Star selections. Both players are worthy following terrific starts this season.

Chelsea FC F Romelu Lukaku

The 6-foot-3 striker is an imposing force and the All-Stars will keep a close eye on him throughout the game.

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▶ John Terry was found guilty of racist abuse in October 2011, but defended his comment by calling it "sarcastic."

Check out these blokes, Chelsea must be booed

Chelsea FC will bring its top stars to the U.S. for the showdown with the MLS All-Stars, meaning some of the true bad boys of soccer will be in town. Think of them as the Detroit Lions of European soccer with a slightly better record. Here's a rundown of some of the worst offenders:

John Terry and Ashley Cole
Terry, the captain, was accused of a calling an opposing black defender a "f—ing black c—t," but justified it by saying Anton Ferdinand had spouted the words to him. Cole is known for shooting an intern with an air rifle that he supposedly didn't know was loaded. Right, and Kevin Kolb is a Hall of Famer.

Grenades and sex tapes
We like fun pranks as much as the next guy, but we're pretty sure that setting off a smoke grenade and causing a full-scale evacuation at a training complex borders on insane. There was also the raunchy Frank Lampard sex tape that makes Ray J (remember Kim Kardashian's ex-flame?) look like a choir boy.

Chelsea fans
The team's fans are also known for being pretty racy, or should we say racist? The Chelsea faithful have been known for shouting racist remarks at opposing players. They better not try that in Chester or there could be a Rodney King-like riot.

Roman Abramovich
The English Premier League team's owner happens to be a Russian billionaire who some say is more powerful than the gangsters — and maybe some James Bond villains. But, hey, as long as he signs the checks, right?

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Head west out of Philly and the first 'hood you'll hit is Bala Cynwyd: a Main Line spot with a mix of city convenience and suburban appeal.

"It's close enough to take advantage of the city, but has all the advantages of being in Lower Merion Township, which is award-winning. You just get a different service level in the suburbs," says David Oser, a realtor with RE/MAX Executive Realty who's sold homes in Bala Cynwyd, where he also lives, for more than 20 years.

In addition to the central location — just 15 minutes from Center City or King of Prussia and even closer to Manayunk — access to the Lower Merion school district and the orthodox Lower Merion Synagogue both tend to draw homebuyers to the neighborhood, Oser says.

The area is primarily residential, with a few shopping strips and the classic Bala Theatre, built in 1926. Two train stops, in the Bala and the Cynwyd sections of the now-combined town, serve residents.

Housing options range from small condos priced in the low $100,000s on City Avenue, the city/suburbs dividing line, to million-dollar single-family homes. The bulk of the housing inventory is in the $450,000 to $675,000 range, reports Oser. For that you can get three or four bedrooms, two and a half baths and a "workable" yard.

"Because Bala Cynwyd is an older community, the zoning is much closer, so you have quarter-acre parcels or less," Oser says. "So everybody tends to know their neighbors here."

RACHEL VIGODA
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▶ The iconic Bala Theatre anchors Bala Avenue.

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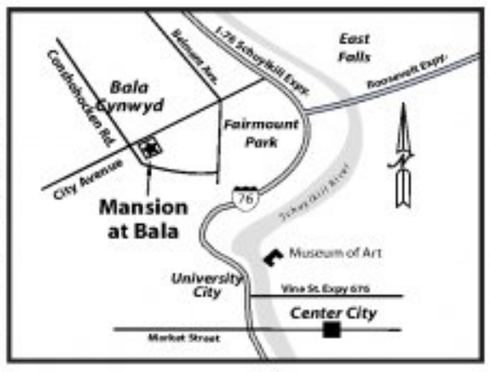

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▶ Tremaine Place: Rentals in Bala Cynwyd have trees. Who knew!

Renting in Bala Cynwyd

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